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alopecia (al-o-pe'she-a)

Absence or loss of hair. SYN: baldness, calvities, pelade. [G. alopekia, 1 a disease like fox mange, fr. alopex, 1 a fox] **alopecia adnata** underdevelopment of the lashes. SEE. ALSO: alopecia congenitalis, milphosis. SYN: madarosis (2) . **androgenic alopecia** gradual decrease of scalp hair density in adults with transformation of terminal to vellus hairs, which become lost as a result of familial increased susceptibility of hair follicles to androgen secretion following puberty. Two areas of the scalp are commonly affected in men; when it occurs in females it is associated with other evidence of excessive androgen activity, such as hirsutism. Autosomal dominant inheritance. See female pattern alopecia, male pattern alopecia. SYN: common baldness. **alopecia areata** [MIM*104000] a common condition of undetermined etiology characterized by circumscribed, nonscarring, usually asymmetrical areas of baldness on the scalp, eyebrows, and bearded portion of the face. Hairy skin anywhere on the body may be affected; occasionally follows autosomal dominant inheritance. Peribulbar lymphocytic infiltration and association with autoimmune disorders suggest an autoimmune etiology. Slow enlargement with eventual regrowth within 1 year is common, but relapse is frequent and progression to alopecia totalis may occur, especially with childhood onset. **alopecia capitis totalis** SYN: alopecia totalis. **cicatricial alopecia** SYN: scarring alopecia. [L. cicatrix, cicatricis, scar + suffix -al, characterized by] **alopecia congenitalis** absence of all hair at birth. May be associated with psychomotor epilepsy [MIM*104130]; autosomal dominant or X-linked [MIM*300042] inheritance. SYN: congenital baldness, hypotrichiasis (2) . **congenital sutural alopecia** obsolete term for dyscephalia mandibulo-oculofacialis. **female pattern alopecia** diffuse partial hair loss in the centroparietal area of the scalp, with preservation of the frontal and temporal

hairlines; the most frequent type of androgenic a. in women. alopecia hereditaria SYN: male pattern alopecia. alopecia leprotica thinning or total loss of the lateral third of the eyebrows, eyelashes, and body hairs, seen in leprosy; loss of scalp hair is rare. alopecia liminaris frontalis SYN: alopecia marginalis. lipedematous alopecia a. with itching, soreness, or tenderness of the scalp in black women; the scalp is thickened and soft, subcutaneous fat is increased, and the hair is sparse and short. male pattern alopecia [MIM*109200] the most common form of androgenic a., seen in men as receding frontal and bilateral triangular temple hairlines, and a balding patch on the vertex, which may progress to complete a. inheritance is autosomal dominant in males, recessive in females. SYN: alopecia hereditaria, male pattern baldness, patterned alopecia. alopecia marginalis hair loss at the hairline, a condition most commonly seen in blacks; commonly transient and caused by chronic traction, although long-continued traction may cause permanent a. SYN: alopecia liminaris frontalis. alopecia medicamentosa diffuse hair loss, most notably of the scalp, caused by administration of various types of drugs. moth-eaten alopecia patchy hair loss of parietal and occipital regions of the scalp, characteristic of secondary syphilis. alopecia mucinosa follicular mucinosis with a. appearing in areas of erythema and edema in the bearded portion of the face or in the scalp. patterned alopecia SYN: male pattern alopecia. postoperative pressure alopecia SYN: pressure alopecia. postpartum alopecia temporary diffuse telogen loss of scalp hair at the termination of pregnancy. premature alopecia, alopecia prematura male pattern baldness appearing at an unusually early age. alopecia presenilis ordinary or common baldness occurring in early or middle life without any apparent disease of the scalp. pressure alopecia loss of hair over a circumscribed area usually on the posterior scalp, resulting from the continuous pressure on the occiput in a lengthy operative procedure, or unconsciousness following a drug overdose. SYN: postoperative pressure alopecia. scarring alopecia a. in which hair follicles are irreversibly destroyed by scarring processes including trauma, burns, lupus erythematosus, lichen planopilaris, scleroderma, folliculitis decalvans, or of uncertain cause (pseudopelade). SYN: cicatricial alopecia. alopecia senilis the normal loss of scalp hair in old age. alopecia symptomatica a. occurring in the course of various constitutional or local diseases, or following prolonged febrile illness. alopecia syphilitica moth-eaten a. of secondary syphilis. alopecia totalis total

loss of hair of the scalp either within a very short period of time or from progression of localized a., especially a. areata. Cf.: alopecia universalis. SYN: alopecia capitis totalis. alopecia toxica hair loss attributed to febrile illness. traction alopecia circumscribed or diffuse loss of hair resulting from repetitive traction on the hair by pulling or twisting; also occurs after excessive application of hair "softeners" such as permanent wave solutions or hot combs. Alopecia marginalis is a form of traction a. SYN: traumatic alopecia. traumatic alopecia SYN: traction alopecia. alopecia triangularis (tri'ang-oo-la-ris) bilateral receding temporal hair lines in male pattern a. alopecia triangularis congenitalis a congenital triangular patch of baldness on the frontal or temporal region of the scalp. alopecia universalis total loss of hair from all parts of the body. Cf.: alopecia totalis.

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